Mr. M. Krishna Menon *(Trichur-North):* May I know where this centre is?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Comptroller of Finance and Accounts):* At Ernakulam.

Mr. M. Krishna Menon *(Trichur-North):* May I know whether the Government are not giving T. A. to those who appear in these examinations?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Camptroller of Finance and Accounts):* Yes, if they are going to attend compulsory tests.

Mr. M. Krishna Menon *(Trichur-North):* Will not the opening of a centre at Trichur economise the payment of T. A.

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Comptroller of Finance and Accounts):* In fact there has not been any great demand. We considered the question of having a centre at Trichur some time back. We found that there were some difficulties and there was also no great demand for a centre. Of course there is no difficulty to consider that question again if there is a real demand. We have no great difficulty in having it.

STARTING PAY AND GRADE OF PANDITS, MUSIC TEACHERS, ETC.

95. Mr. M. Krishna Menon *(Trichur-North):* Will Government be pleased to state the starting pay and grade of Pandits, Music Teachers, Drawing Teachers, Commercial Teachers and Gymnastic Instructors in the High Schools?

Mr. P. Sankaran Nambiyar *(Director of Public Instruction):*

Pandits (Senior)	25—2½—50
Do. (Junior)	20—1—30
Music Teachers (Senior)	35—1½—50
Do. (Junior)	20—1½—35
Drawing Teachers (Senior)	35—1½—50
Do. (Junior)	20—1½—35
Commercial Teachers	40—2—50
Gymnastic Instructors, Drill Masters	20—1—30
Graduate Physical Training Instructors ..	60—2—80—4—100
Under-Graduate Physical Training Instructors ..	40—1—50—2—60

The starting pay is the minimum of the respective grades.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* For the English Pandits what do you pay?

Mr. P. Sankaran Nambiar *(Director of Public Instruction):* We have no English Pandits.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* What do you pay for the English Professors?

Mr. P. Sankaran Nambiar *(Director of Public Instruction):* We have no English Professors eithe in School Department.

Mr. M. Krishna Menon *(Trichur-North):* In view of the heavy work of the Pandits is it not desirable to raise their starting pay from Rs. 25 in as much as other specialists are started on Rs. 35 and Rs 40.

Mr. P. Sankaran Nambiar *(Director of Public Instruction):* The starting pay is not merely guided by the heaviness of the work. All of them will have to do a certain amount of work and we cannot say which is lighter and which is heavier.

Mr. M. Krishna Menon *(Trichur-North):* The Drawing teachrs are given a starting of Rs. 35 while the Pandits are only given Rs. 25.

Mr. P. Sankaran Nambiar *(Director of Public Instruction):* It was partly due to the relaitve importance of the work and partly due to availability of qualified hands.

Mr. K. T. Achyuthan *(Ezhuvas-Talappilli):* Are all these appointments made by the Staff Selection Board?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Governmnt):* Yes, all except music teachers.

Mr. K. T. Achyuthan *(Ezhuvas-Talappilli):* What is the total number of music tenchers?

Mr. P. Sankaran Nambiar *(Director of Public Instruction):* I want notice.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* What is the reason for not transferring these to the Staff Selection Board?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Because it is a special art and the Board may not be competent to judge.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Is not needle work also a special subject requiring special knowledge?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* Yes, but not to the same extent.

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Mr. P. Sankaran Nambiar *(Director of Public Instruction):* It is done after consulting expert and looking into their qualifications in music.

BUS SERVICE—TRICHUR-PARAPPUR LINE

96. Mr. K. R. Achuthan *(Ezhuvas-Trichur):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they are aware of the fact that the single bus running in the Trichur-Parappur line, after running its first trip from Parappur to Trichur on 27th March 1944/14th Meenam 1119 and 28th March 1944/15th Meenam 1119, the dates of the Cranganur Bharani festival and the days succeeding it, cancelled some of the subsequent trips and diverted its running to the Trichur Shoranur line to take pilgrims returning from Cranganur;

(*b*) whether this diversion was effected with the consent of the traffic authorities;

(*c*) if the answer to (*b*) is in the negative, will Government be pleased to state what action has been taken against the bus-owner concerned for the breach of traffic rules and the inconvenience thereby caused to the travelling public?

Khan Sahib Muhammad Habibuddin Siddhiki Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):*

(*a*) The service has defaulted one trip only on 15th Meenam 1119 and it has run its usual services on 15th Meenam 1119. The service has not cancelled its regular trips and diverted its running to Trichur-Shoranur line, but has run on contract carriage basis.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Does not arise in view of answer to (*b*).

Mr. K. R. Achyuthan *(Ezhuvas-Trichur):* May I know why the diversion mentioned in sub-division (*b*) was allowed?

Khan Sahib Muhammad Habibuddin Siddhiki Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* Because there was some break down of the car and we had to divert it.

Mr. K. R. Achyuthan *(Ezhuvas-Trichur):* Is it not a fact that in Trichur-Parappur line there is only one bus running ?

Khan Sahib Muhammad Habibuddin Siddhiki Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* Yes.

Mr. K. R. Achyuthan *(Ezuuvas-Trichur):* May I know whether the Government are aware of the fact that the diversion of a bus from a line where there is only one bus running to another line causes much inconvenience to the travelling public?

Khan Sahib Muhammad Habibuddin Siddhiki Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* Yes. But inconvenience is sometimes inevitable.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Cannot the Government avoid such things?

Khan Sahib Muhammad Habibuddin Siddhiki Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* We are trying our best.

STOPPING THE RUNNING OF BUSES FOR OFFENCES COMMITTED BY OWNERS, DRIVERS, ETC.

97. Mr. M. Krishna Menon *(Trichur-North):* Will Government be pleased to state.—whether there is the practice of suspending the running of buses for offences done by the owners, drivers or conductors of buses ?

Khan Sahib Muhammad Habibuddin Siddhiki Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* Yes ; if the offences committed come under section (57) (1) of the Motor Vehicles Act.

Mr. M. Krishna Menon *(Trichur-North):* May I know whether the Hon'ble member for Police is aware of cases where traffic of buses is suspended owing to the offence overloading?

Khan Sahib Muhammad Habibuddin Siddhiki Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* For overloading, buses are not suspended; but those responsible are prosecuted.

Mr. M. Krishna Menon *(Trichur-North):* For over-loading?

Khan Sahib Muhammad Habibuddin Siddhiki Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* I am not aware of it.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Under certain sections the Commissioner of Police suspends the permits of buses and does not allow them to run in the lines in which they used to run and the buses are shunted on to the bus shed for a few days. Such action though it is permissible under the Act, causes inconvenience to the passengers. You, can use any other provision in the Act. You can prosecute them but not suspend the running of buses.

Khan Sahib Muhammad Habibuddin Siddhiki Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police):* It is solely to ensure puplic safety that it is done.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* I am saying that bus service is suspended not because the bus service goes out of order but for something else. Such things ought to be avoided.

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